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WIRELESS TELECOMUNICATIONS BUREAU

REGION 6 (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA) PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCE REGION 6 (4.9 GHz) PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING AND

REGION 6 (700 MHz) PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING

The Region 6 (Northern California)¹ Safety Regional Planning Committees announces two Regional Planning meetings.

The Region 6 (4.9 GHz) Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting will hold its planning meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2004, in the Ziggurat Building 1st Floor Auditorium, Room 1-301, at 707 Third Street, West Sacramento, California. The agenda of the meeting includes:

- 1. Overview the FCC rules, their implications, and any intervening rule changes pertaining to this important broadband public safety 4.9 GHz allocation,
- 2. Review status of ongoing efforts performed by the following organizations related to the 4.9 GHz public safety spectrum including:
 - Federal Communications Commission (See http://wireless.fcc.gov/publicsafety)
 - National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (See http://npstc.du.edu)
 - Other entities, including ad hoc factions,
- 3. Review 4.9 GHz workgroup progress to date, including:
 - Progress in establishing coordination procedures for fixed and mobile broadband operations giving consideration to concerns and capabilities such as
 - (a) Incident management protocols
 - (b) Interference avoidance
 - (c) Interoperability

Region 6 (Northern California) is comprised of the 48 counties of California situated north of the northernmost borders of San Luis Obispo, Kern and San Bernardino counties.

(d) Flexibility aimed at affording dynamic spectrum utilization

4. Review milestones for plan.

The Region 6 (700 MHz) Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting will hold its planning meeting following the 4.9 GHz Public Safety Planning Committee meeting and is scheduled to begin at 1:30 pm, on Thursday, March 11, 2004, in the Ziggurat Building 1st Floor Auditorium, Room 1-301 at 707 Third Street, West Sacramento, California. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Review the status of ongoing or culminating efforts performed by the following organizations or quorums in advancing 700 MHz public safety spectrum guidelines and/or rules:
 - Federal Communications Commission
 - National Coordination Committee
 - National Public Safety Telecommunications Council
 - Ad hoc political factions
- 2. Review, modify, and approve efforts to date of the following workgroups:
 - By Laws
 - Operations and Interoperability
 - Spectrum
- 3. Review and comment on the status of the responses to the eligible agency requirements definition survey instrument for frequencies in the 700 MHz band reposted July 2003 on the Region 6 website at http://www.rgn6rpc.org/
- 4. Review, modify and approve workgroup milestones.

Both of the Region 6 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole purpose or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in Region 6 would utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent your agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band and 700 MHz band are encouraged to attend. For further information about the meetings, please contact:

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